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There was a Girl, and she was fair to see,
Whose classis nomen was Eurydice;
As full of mischief, like most young ladies.
Sometimes raising Cain, and sometimes
Hades.
This smilling Beauty, though she gained celat,
To use hyperbole, concealed a claw.
A first she was—and thought no zin to be—
Though driving lovers into syncope.
the flattered some, though always "sine
die." names commonly mispronounced:

Until they all were crowned with misery. She danced and waltsed, until quite sick was

She danced and was she, she, the goddess was Terpsichore);
Hut soen get well, and ate her housiny.
With all the sirs of great Melpomene.
Her mind, sometimes, on Jupiter and Io,
Would dwell-mixed up with Virgo and with

Eurydice, at length was, strange to say,
Enchanted with a man, and brought to bay:
Hemoeforth her constant study was to be
How best to imitate Calliope.
While her fair maid, we scarce need indicate,
Brought her Penates to the Syndicate;
And helped their Epithilamium to sing,
Though not the least connected with "the
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Eurydice, farewell! and you, too, fair
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this event by going on a spree, during which he concluded to kill himself. Accordingly, he procured chloroform, wrote a touching spistle to the cold-hearted object of his adoration, and ad-

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WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

Gayetics and Gossip at the Capi-tal-Social People and Peculiari-ties.

Correspondence Boston Post. With the coming of Lent a period, and for the nonce a full stop, is put to the gayeties of the Capital. That Ash Wednesday has merely punctuated the character of festivities will prove true in the course of a week or so, when a new round of pleasures will doubtless begin, just so soon as every when a new round of pleasures will doubtless begin, just so soon as every one feels rested. The Washington no-tion of keeping Lent is peculiar. Din-ner-giving is more practised in the six weeks' supposed fast than during any other period of similar duration through-

out the year. Then it is not breaking Lent to give or go to receptions where there is no dancing, and to which the invitations are not absolutely general. In short, every conceivable mode of whipping the prince of darkness around the stump is devised by those who do not welcome Lent as an excuse to be quiet until some such excellent reason as the duty of making a high joint com-mission enjoy itself, or a Japanese em-bassy happy, is presented. For the for-mer last Lent was broken; for the latter mer last Lent was broken; for the latter the present one is threatened with a serious fracture. Why Lent should be kept at all, by a mixed population, where the strict members of the two sects who regard Lent as an obligatory fast, cannot certainly be in the majority, is not easily understood by those unacquainted with the duties of ladies is official circles in Washington. When these "duties" are understood, the keeping of Lent assumes a different aspect altogether. It is the release from

pect altogether. It is the release from hard work eagerly anticipated by women fagged out in a cause altogether to be

This is the secret of it all. The administration is unpopular politically. It rests with the wives of officials to make it popular socially, and they have abundant opportunity in their hands. Six hundred people call on each reception day, about half of whom—and that is rather underrating than overrating—are new people, from all parts of the country, or perhaps from all parts of the world. It is not unlikely, one sees many sheep of many kinds wherever one goes in Washington—and to avoid risks not one of these must be offereded. Not only must the manner of reception be

Washington etiquette is altogether pe-liar. When one takes into consideration the public demand made on the means of public men, one finds that the between New Year's day and Ash Wednesday, and himself when he pleases generally appaired in the

Apropos of defalcations and other great measure exempt from obligatory irregularities, an amusing and also instruct, we story comes from Hartford, construct ive story comes from Hartford, instruct ive story comes from Hartford, construct ive story comes from Hartford, construct ive story comes from Hartford, construct ive story comes from Hartford, welcome an enormous crowd to his house on certain evenings during the winter, banks in that very prosperous city. The banks in that very prosperous city is constant to the found in the countries of the bank in that

is so excident that it will not be book by the amusement which the frank impertinen or of the teller may cause.

At the evening receptions of Cabinet officials suppers are provided and confi-

dently expected, and the hungry souls who fast at —, growd in at the Friday evening receptious of the Cabinet officer who has selected that evening and find relief. Some one laughingly suggested to Attorney-General Williams, at his last reception that

Now, this is bad enough, but the men bers of the Cabinet must give dinner parties, three or four during the season, and yet their salaries are only \$8000 per annum. It is easily seen that there is a discrepancy somewhere when the President, with a salary of \$25,000, need feed no one, except at State dinners, twice a month, and the Cabinet Ministers, with \$8000, must feed everybody who calls at THIS ESTABLISHMENT, BEING FULLY the day receptions, a vast concourse at evening receptions, and not a few officials at State dinners. The Secretary of the Treasury cuts all this. He has never entertained and all since he has been Secretary been Secretary, except that his wife and daughter are at home, with cake and chocolate on Wednesdays. Notwith-standing he and they attend numberless entertainments. Akerman also dodged the entertaining question. His wife was never here, and he was in the city only at rare intervals.

The Story of a Deaf and Blind Poet, From the Good Templar's Advocate.]

At Elk Creek, Spencer county, Ky., there resides the remarkable man wh name heads this article, known in litera-ture as the "Blind Bard of Kentucky." He lost his eyes after he had obtained tolerably good education, and his father then sent him to the blind asylum, where he completed his education, including proficiency in science and the art of mu-sic, which he has since taught with condespised.

When investigated, the reason for the labor endured in what is usually called the pursuit of pleasure ceases to be ignoble. The wives are sacrificing themselves to make the brighter their husband's career. "Do you know," said one of them to another at the evening with labor endured the idea of having the alphabet tattoeed upon his hands with India ink, so that persons might siderable success. He, however, lost his hearing, and had to abandon his avoca-tion. Upon this "double night" settling themselves to make the brighter their husband's career. "Do you know," said one of them to another at the evening party last week, "I was actually so exhausted when my reception was over this morning (it is morning here in the fashionable parlance until dusk) "that I threw myself, dressed as I was, on the bed and slept without stirring until my husband woke me at ten o'clock to come here, and I came here without changing my dress or even adding a flower to my hair. I am utterly worn out, and yet I have twenty-five hundred," said a by-stander, "I should never dream of attempting it." "Nor I," was the answer, "were it not for ed a machine for printing with the raised letters employed by the sightless, I, was the answer, were it not for making the administration popular.

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only must the manner of reception be the commendation of the literary world CARDS, gracious, but the eali must be promptly in no mean terms of praise. His "Apocreturned or dire consequences may alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the Seasons and "Double alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the Seasons and "Double alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the Seasons and "Double alypee of the Seasons" and "Double alypee of the are among the finest poems in the language—long, labored and we'll sustained. In blank verse he is particuthe larly happy, though his rhymes have a The musical ring. Milton is his brau ideal of a poet, and some of his own producpay is vastly disproportionate. The President, for instance, receives \$25,000 per annum, and his house and furniture are his for four years, rent free, besides other immunities from disbursing ready money. The only entertainment he universe must create his own system. universe must create his own system, gives are public receptions and State Imagination becomes the dominant fact dinners. His wife receives once a week, alty of the mind and is ever husy creat.

The Dodge of a Discarded Lover.

Shakspeare hath said that men have died from time to time, but not for love. This may be true—and coming from such an authority it cannot well be gainsayed—but a recent episode in the life of a young New York lawyer would have staggered the firmly-grounded belief of even the author of As You Like It. This legal individual is, of course, of good parentage and excellent ability. He followed the Iashion by falling in love, and was discarded after a court-ship of several months. He celebrated this event by going on a spree, during which he concluded to hill be recently speaking in the case times during the esssion of Congress. At the last meeting of the Historico-Genealogical society in Boston, Mr. Samuel G. Drake read a paper upon "Sir Alexander Cuming among the Cherokees, or Facts in the Early History of Georgia." The paper he was about to present, said Mr. Drake, came into his possession by purchase in Loy-don, and was written by Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cherokees, or Facts in the Early History of Georgia. The paper he was about to present, said Mr. Drake, came into his possession by purchase in Loy-don, and was written by Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cherokees, or Facts in the Early History of Georgia. The paper he was about to present, said Mr. Drake, came into his possession by purchase in Loy-don, and was written by Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cherokees, or Facts in the Early History of Georgia. The paper he was about to present, said Mr. Drake, came into his possession by purchase in Loy-don, and was written by Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cherokees, or Facts in the Early History of Georgia. The paper he was about to present, said Mr. Drake, came into his possession by purchase in Loy-don, and was written by Sir Alexander Cuming, in the year 1765. Sir Alexander Cherokees, or Facts in the Early The Vice President is another privileged individual. There is no tradition
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